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Each item listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 was first cited in a communication dated September 4, 2009, from the European Patent Office in a counterpart European patent application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. U.S. Patent Nos. 6,143,501 and 5,932,459 are listed as English-language members of the patent family for German language WO 97/15655.

It is respectfully requested that the listed documents be considered and officially cited in examination of this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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